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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS WESTERN DIVISION

IN RE:) CHAPTER 11
N-LINE EXPRESS, INC.))
Debtor.) Judge Manuel Barbosa
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NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR AN AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

TO: See attached service list.

HOLMSTROM & KENNEDY, P.C., has filed papers with the Court to seek an Award of Professional Compensation and Expenses in the amount of \$7,500.00 for services rendered and expenses in the amount of \$1,039.00 incurred by Holmstrom & Kennedy, P.C., in the representation of N-Line Express, Inc., through March 20, 2009 ("Application").

Your rights may be affected. You should read these papers carefully and discuss them with your attorney, if you have one in this bankruptcy case. (If you do not have an attorney, you may wish to consult one.)

If you do not want the Court to grant the Application for an Award of Professional Compensation and Expenses you or your attorney must:

1. File a written response to the Application for an Award of Professional Compensation and Expenses on or before the date set for the hearing on the Motion at:

Clerk of Court
United States Bankruptcy Court
211 South Court Street
Rockford, IL 61104

OR

2. Attend the hearing scheduled to be held on **July15**, **2009**, **at 10:30 a.m.** at the United States Bankruptcy Court, 211 South Court Street, Rockford, Illinois 61104.

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If you mail your Response to the Court for filing, you must mail it early enough so that the Court will receive it on or before the date stated above. You must also mail a copy of your Response to:

Attorney Kim M. Casey Attorney Bradley T. Koch Holmstrom & Kennedy, P.C. P.O. Box 589 Rockford, IL 61105-0589

If you or your attorney do not take these steps, the Court may decide that you do not oppose the Application for an Award of Professional Compensation and Expenses and may enter an Order granting that relief.

Dated: June 19, 2009

HOLMSTROM & KENNEDY, P.C.

BY:

One of Their Attorneys

KIM M. CASEY - #6181726 BRADLEY T. KOCH - #3122997 Holmstrom & Kennedy, P.C. 800 N. Church St. P.O. Box 589 Rockford, IL 61105 (815) 962-7071

PROOF OF SERVICE

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, states that I electronically filed the foregoing Notice Of Hearing On Application For An Award Of Professional Compensation And Expenses with the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following e-mail address(es):

Attorney Paul Osborn Ward, Murray, Pace & Johnson 202 E. 5th St. Sterling, IL 61081

Office of the U.S. Trustee 780 Regent St. Suite 304 Madison, WI 53715

Attorney Thomas Laughlin 6833 Stalter Drive Rockford, IL 61108

And I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing Notice Of Hearing On Application For An Award Of Professional Compensation And Expenses to the following non-CM/ECF participants:

Internal Revenue Service Centralized Insolvency Operations P.O. Box 21126 Philadelphia, PA 19114

Capital One PO Box 85546 Richmond VA 23285-5546

Citi Cards **Business Cards Processing Center** P.O. Box 6130 Sioux Falls, SD 57177

JP Ag 24009 Lincoln Rd. Sterling, IL 61081

William Neary

Leasing Specialists, Inc. Attn: Steve Westbay PO Box 87 Knoxville, IL 61448

Spencer's Automotive 614 Lincolnway East Morrison, IL 61270

Subscribed and sworn to before me this A day of

"OFFICIAL SEAL" MARY M. TERRELL Notary Public, State of Illinois My Commission Expires 08/25/09

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS WESTERN DIVISION

IN RE:) CHAPTER 11
N-LINE EXPRESS, INC.) Case No. 08-72529) Judge Manuel Barbosa
Debtor.)

APPLICATION FOR AN AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

Holmstrom & Kennedy, P.C. ("Applicant"), attorneys for N-LINE EXPRESS, INC., Debtor ("Debtor"), for its Application for an Award of Professional Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses pursuant to Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 2016, states:

INTRODUCTION

Debtor commenced this bankruptcy proceeding by filing a Voluntary Petition for Relief pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code on August 7, 2008. On August 12, 2008, Debtor filed with the Bankruptcy Court an Application for Employment of Attorneys, requesting authorization to retain Applicant as its counsel in this case. On August 20, 2008, after the conduct of a hearing before this Court, an Order was entered approving the employment of Applicant as counsel for the Debtor in this bankruptcy proceeding.

Since the commencement of this bankruptcy proceeding through March 20, 2009, Applicant has represented the Debtor as bankruptcy counsel in all matters before this Court. On May 5, 2009, Attorney Thomas F. Laughlin was substituted for Applicant as counsel for the Debtor in this bankruptcy proceeding. This is the first and final Application for an award of professional compensation and expenses by Applicant.

ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING DEBTOR

The Debtor has been represented by the attorneys employed by Applicant. The primary attorneys representing Debtor in this case have been Bradley T. Koch, partner with Applicant, who has practiced before this Court in a variety of matters over a period in excess of twenty-five (25) years, Kim M. Casey, partner with Applicant, who has practiced before this Court in a variety of matters over a period in excess of twenty (20) years. The applicable hourly rates for the attorneys involved in the representation of the Debtor in this bankruptcy proceeding are as follows:

Bradley T. Koch	\$300.00 per hour
Kim M. Casey	\$300.00 per hour

ADMINISTRATION OF CASE

Applicant has provided the Debtor with a variety of services involving the administration of its bankruptcy proceeding. Initially, Applicant assisted and advised the Debtor in the preparation and filing of several first day motions with the Bankruptcy Court including an Emergency Motion to Pay Employee Wages and Compensation.

Applicant also assisted and advised the Debtor in the preparation of its bankruptcy Schedules and Statement of Financial Affairs. Applicant attended the Debtor's First Meeting of Creditors and assisted and advised the Debtor in the preparation and filing of monthly operating reports with the Office of the United States Trustee. Subsequent to the First Day Motions, Applicant assisted the Debtor in discussions with Leasing Specialists concerning the continuation of vehicle leases and with the Internal Revenue Service regarding tax returns and filings.

Applicant assisted the Debtor in retaining Attorney Russell Holesinger as Special Counsel for the collection of a large account receivable of the business. Applicant prepared and filed with this Court an Application to retain Russell Holesinger as Special Counsel for the Debtor to collect an account receivable which was approved through the entry of an Order by this Court on December 31, 2008.

Applicant has also assisted the Debtor in analyzing and evaluating the claims of its creditors. The Debtor has explored the possibility of selling certain vehicles and Applicant has advised and assisted the Debtor in its efforts relating to the possible sale of such vehicles.

Applicant has also assisted the Debtor in beginning the process of developing and formulating a Plan of Reorganization. Given the ongoing efforts of the Debtor to increase the volume of business from its two major customers, Applicant has represented the Debtor before this Court in securing the entry of an Order on December 3, 2008, extending the exclusive time in which the Debtor could file its Plan of Reorganization.

DESCRIPTION OF COMPENSATION

Applicant has expended the following hours in advising and representing the Debtor with respect to this bankruptcy proceeding through March 20, 2009:

Name	Hours Worked	Total
Bradley T. Koch	1.60	480.00
Kim M. Casey	23.50	7,020.00
TOTAL		\$7,500.00

Additionally, since the commencement of this bankruptcy proceeding, Applicant has disbursed for the benefit of the Debtor, actual and necessary costs and expenses in the

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amount of \$1,039.00. A complete itemized statement of the services rendered and

disbursements made on behalf of the Debtor related to this bankruptcy proceeding appear

upon Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Prior to the commencement of this bankruptcy proceeding, Debtor has paid to

Applicant a retainer in the amount of \$6,039.00. Applicant has not received an award of

professional compensation and expenses since the commencement of this bankruptcy

proceeding. The rates of compensation for the attorneys representing the Debtor in this

bankruptcy proceeding have been approved by the Debtor and are reasonable, customary

and necessary to the representation of the Debtor in this bankruptcy proceeding.

WHEREFORE, Holmstrom & Kennedy, P.C., respectfully requests the entry of an

Order by this Court:

1. Awarding professional compensation in the amount of \$7,500.00 and

reimbursement of expenses in the amount of \$1,039.00 to Holmstrom &

Kennedy, P.C. for services rendered and expenses incurred through March

20, 2009; and

2. Such other and further relief as the Court deems just and equitable.

Dated: June 18, 2009.

HOLMSTROM & KENNEDY, P.C.

Its Attorneys

BY:

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